Minutes of

MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting

Held MARCH 16, 2010

Chairman Spanovich called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. with Mr. Angelou, Mrs. Stewart and the Fiscal Officer, Nancy White, present.

Also present were: Ben Weiner Franklin County

Dan Bender Rocky Fork Enterprise

Jim DeConnick Fire Chief

Michael Grossman
Calvin McKnight
Steve Blake

Assistant Fire Chief
Service Director
Police/Code Officer

Res. 69-10: Approve Minutes of February 9, 2010, February 25, 2010 & March 1, 2010

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2010, February 25, 2010 and March 1, 2010 meetings. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich turned the meeting over to Ben Weiner, representing Franklin County's Economic Development and Planning Department to present an update on the Clinton-Mifflin Land Use Plan which was adopted January 13, 2009 by the Franklin County Commissioners. Mr. Weiner said he wanted to show accomplishments and future planned improvements as a result of the plan. The Plan contains a number of recommendations grouped into three areas: safe neighborhoods, complete streets and economic growth. In the past year accomplishments include a renewed emphasis on code enforcement and demolishing or rehabilitating deteriorating homes and on partnering with Columbus to hold a Neighborhood Pride event. He said other proposed recommendations include adding streetlights and sidewalks in priority areas, installing gateway signs and identifying sites for new green space. Mrs. Stewart said she believes the most important action item is the recommendation to work with Columbus to get water lines extended to the Leonard Park neighborhood which the Trustees have worked on for years with no success. Mr. Spanovich and Mr. Angelou both said they are glad the County is showing an interest in the unincorporated areas of the County showing that they are not being forgotten. Mr. Spanovich recommended that a resolution be approved commending Mr. Weiner and his associates for all their work on the Clinton-Mifflin Land Use Plan.

Res. 70-10: Approve Resolution Commending Ben Weiner and His Associates for All Their Work on the Clinton-Mifflin Land Use Plan

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve a Resolution commending Ben Weiner and his associates for all their work on the Clinton-Mifflin Land Use Plan. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Fiscal Officer presented the following correspondence to the Board:

- 1. The Franklin County Board of Zoning Appeals Staff Report was received for the Zoning Variance request for the property at 2651 Ferris Road. The staff recommends conditional approval.
- 2. Information was received from OTARMA regarding enhancements to the Property and Liability Coverage as of January 1, 2010. There are a number of coverage items that have been increased.
- 3. Requests were received to rent the Meeting Hall from Gahanna American Legion Auxiliary and CORA.
- 4. Request to contact Pete Griggs, Loveland and Brosius, regarding compensation issues.

Res. 71-10: Approve Meeting Hall Rental Request of Gahanna American Legion Auxiliary for Buckeye Girls State Interviews on March 20, 2010 as They Have Done in the Past Under Non-Profit Guidelines

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the Meeting Hall rental request of the Gahanna American Legion Auxiliary for Buckeye Girls State interviews on March 20, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. as they have done in the past under non-profit guidelines. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

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Res. 72-10: Approve Meeting Hall Rental Request of CORA for Educational Speaker/Presenter on April 24, 2010 Under Non-Profit Guidelines with \$200 Deposit

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the Meeting Hall request of CORA for educational speaker presenter on April 24, 2010 under non-profit guidelines with a \$200 deposit. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT — Nancy White said she attended the Township Association Conference last month and received a copy of guidelines on bidding which she is passing along to the Trustees and Department Heads. A new purchase requisition system has been initiated which we are tweaking as we go along. She also said she met with Rick Deeds regarding several on-going projects. Mrs. Stewart suggested we look at prioritizing the projects at our next IT meeting.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS (NEW BUSINESS)

<u>ADMIN</u> – Estimate #2141 for paining & epoxy coating Township Office Building walls by Shira Sons Painting for \$4820.58 was put on hold for further review.

<u>SERVICE</u> – Mr. Angelou said there is a service credit bonus request before the Board from Calvin McKnight for Larry Stewart for \$900.00.

Res. 73-10: Approve Service Credit Bonus for Lawrence Stewart of the Service Department for \$900.00

Mr. Angelou moved to approve a service credit bonus for Lawrence Stewart of the Service Department for \$900.00 at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting as recommended by Calvin McKnight. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

There are also several service credit bonus requests for Fire Department personnel for approval as follows:

Res. 74-10: Approve Service Credit Bonuses for Wiggers, Troyer, Higgins, and Crotty as Requested

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve a February service credit bonus for Albert Wiggers for \$1100.00; Galen Troyer, Keith Higgins and Matthew Crotty for \$700.00/each at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 75-10: Approve Service Credit Bonuses for Engler, A. Spanovich, Yorde, Crosson, Hyer, Davis, Torres, Lee, Dunlevy, Williams, Cline, Kovacs, Diehl and Mauger as Requested

Mr. Angelou moved to approve a March service credit bonus for Steven Engler for \$700.00, Anthony Spanovich and Michael Mauger for \$900.00/each and Robert Yorde, Bradford Crosson, Scott Hyer, Scott Davis, Anthony Torres, Thomas Lee, Brian Dunlevy, Marvin Williams, Neil Cline, Robert Kovacs, and Michael Diehl for \$500.00/each at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. Mr. Angelou & Mrs. Stewart voted yea. Mr. Spanovich abstained. Motion carried.

Res. 76-10: Approve Service Credit Bonus for Shawn Barnett and Andrew Fey as Requested

Mr. Angelou moved to approve a April service credit bonus for Shawn Barnett for \$700.00 and Andrew Fey for \$500.00 at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Calvin McKnight said he has a request from Sherry Fleegle to buy back Graves 1,2,3,4,5, Lot #144, Section E in Riverside Cemetery for the total amount of \$500.00.

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Res. 77-10: Approve Request of Sherry Fleegle to Buy Back Graves 1,2,3,4,5, Lot #144, Section E in Riverside Cemetery for a Total of \$500.00

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the request of Sherry Fleegle to buy back Graves, 1,2,3,4,5, Lot #144, Section E in Riverside Cemetery for a total of \$500.00 as recommended by Calvin McKnight. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Calvin McKnight updated the Trustees on the 2010 road work and storm water system upgrades. The OPWC Grant was approved to cover only road work. During the road work, storm water upgrades will need to be made. The Franklin County Engineers office is currently working on the road engineering and the storm water needs.

<u>POLICE/CODE ENFORCEMENT</u> – Steve Blake discussed the Columbus Pride Project for this year which will include Purdue, Agler and Baughman areas. He said he has been working with Joe Bailey on a Westerville property in the Township. He said that regarding Police items, it has been a slow month. Mrs. Stewart said that as stated before, the Trustees would like documentation on the K9 Program such as stops/arrests, etc. Mr. Blake said he would try to have that report to them as soon as possible.

<u>FIRE</u> – Mr. Spanovich said the following items have been presented to the Board from the Fire Department for approval:

Res. 78-10: Approve Development Coaching by Tripp & Associates for One Year for a Total of \$15,000.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Req. #03.03.10 for development coaching by Tripp & Associates for one year for a total of \$15,000.00 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 79-10: Approve Declaring 12 Sets of Fire Gear Lockers as Surplus Per Memo of March 12, 2010

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve declaring 12 sets of fire gear lockers as surplus per memo dated March 12, 2010 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Res. 80-10: Approve Declaring Hand-Held Scanners (14) and Chargers (14) as Surplus Per Memo of March 12, 2010 to be Sold for \$5100.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve declaring the Hand-held Scanners (14) and Chargers (14) as surplus per memo of March 12, 2010 to be sold for \$5100.00 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Res. 81-10: Approve 2010 10-Account Final Budget Including Figure Changes and Adjustments Needed

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the 2010 10-Account Final Budget including figure changes and adjustments needed as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

A request was received from Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser for a budget workshop meeting. The Trustees scheduled it for April 20, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. prior to the regular meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Spanovich said a letter was received from Betty Mathews thanking Chief DeConnick and the Fire Department for all they did for her and her family on the passing of her husband and retired Firefighter George Mathews.

Mrs. Stewart signed off on Req. #03.07.10 for the Fire training request of Lt. Lee and Firefighter Spanovich to attend a 2-day seminar on Fireground Leadership and Truck Operations on May 11 & 12, 2010 for a cost of \$100/each.

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Res. 82-10: Approve Chief DeConnick Attending the 2010 International Fire Chief's Conference Including Registration and Expenses Held in Chicago on August 24-28, 2010 for a Total Cost of \$2,578.50

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Req. #03.08.10 for Chief DeConnick to attend the 2010 International Fire Chief's Conference including registration and expenses held in Chicago on August 24-28, 2010 for a total cost of \$2,578.50. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 83-10: Approve Accepting From the Stonehenge Company The Use Of and Eventual Burning of Vacant Houses at 515, 525 and 531 North Hamilton Road for Fire **Training Per Memo of March 12, 2010**

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve accepting from the Stonehenge Company the use of and eventual burning of vacant houses at 515, 525 and 531 North Hamilton Road for Fire Training per memo dated March 12, 2010 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief DeConnick said that on Wednesday, April 28, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Baskins-Robbins will host 31 Cent Scoop Night to benefit the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. Our local Baskin-Robins on Hamilton Rd. in Gahanna would like to also help raise money for our local Fire Service Organization and ask that Firefighters be involved in this event.

Chief DeConnick said the Fire Department Improvements Project is moving along on the revised schedule.

MECC - Asst. Chief Grossman said he would like to continue holding the UrbanOffice furnishings for MECC proposal for \$7,886.00 to see if he can get a better price.

The Trustees asked that Req. #03162010-01 for ArcEditor & Network Analyst for \$2918.50 and Req. #03162010-02 for ArcView/ArcPublisher Maintenance Fee for \$1684.77 be placed on hold for review by the IT Committee.

Asst. Chief Grossman advised the Trustees that Violet Township videotaped the Dispatching Center which will be used for training purposes and eventually by other agencies.

NEXT MEETING – Mr. Spanovich said there is a change in the Staff Meeting time on Monday, April 5, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. with a Fire Department Budget Meeting to be held before this meeting at 2:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Mr. Angelou moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Joseph F. Spanovich, Chairman	Nancy M. White, Fiscal Officer
The Trustees approved the March 12, 2010 2010 through March 6, 2010, the March 26	**************************************
The March 2010 Receipts are on file with the	e Fiscal Officer.